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Memorandum

*Agenda Item 8.1
May 28, 2009*

DATE: May 20, 2009
TO: CMA Board
FROM: Administration and Legislation Committee
SUBJECT: I-580 San Leandro Soundwall Project –
Construction Contract Award

Action Requested:

It is recommended that the CMA Board award the construction contract for the subject project to Gordon N. Ball, Inc., the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for the project, authorize the Executive Director, or his designee, to execute the contract, and authorize a contingency for this contract. All project costs will be reimbursed with currently authorized federal funds.

Next Steps

CMA and the contractor intend to execute the contract immediately following the Board meeting. It is anticipated that construction on the project would commence in mid to late June.

Discussion

The CMA is the sponsor of the I-580 San Leandro Soundwall Project. The CMA is responsible to Advertise, Award and Administer (AAA) the project. Funding for the construction phase of this project is provided by Federal Surface Transportation Program (STP) funds. The project development phase of the project was funded with CMA TIP funds. At its July 21, 2008 meeting, the CMA Board authorized staff to advertise the construction contract of this project. Staff advertised the construction contract for this project on April 8, 2009. The Engineer's Estimate for project is \$6,154,000, excluding contingency.

The CMA received four bids for this contract on May 7, 2009. The base bids are as follows:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Gordon N. Ball, Inc. (Alamo, Contra Costa County)	\$5,356,565
RGW Construction, Inc. (Livermore, Alameda County)	\$5,511,347
Viking Construction Company Inc. (Rancho Cordova, Sacramento County)	\$5,994,355
William P. Young Construction Inc. (San Leandro, Alameda County)	\$6,428,008

The bid analysis prepared by staff shows that Gordon N. Ball, Inc., a Contra Costa County firm in good standing with the Contractor's License Board, is the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. Following review of the bid analysis, CMA issued a Notice of Intent to Award, which was received by all the bidders on May 8, 2009. No Bid Protests were received.

The contract documents included bid alternative options, permitting CMA to include sound absorptive materials on certain portions of the soundwall if bids were favorable. In part because the contractor's proposal was approximately \$800,000 lower than the Engineer's Estimate, staff has determined that a portion of the bid alternatives can be included in the contract within the available funding.

It is therefore recommended that the CMA Board award the construction contract for the subject project to Gordon N. Ball, Inc., including the substitution of sound absorptive material to certain sections of the soundwall, with costs for such substitution based on the alternative bid schedule submitted by the contractor, and authorize the Executive Director, or his designee, to execute a construction contract in an amount not to exceed \$6,180,565 (excluding contingency). This amount is within 0.4% of the Engineer's Estimate and \$824,000 over the base bid. Staff will work with the contractor to include alternative bid items not to exceed the indicated amount. Staff also requests the Board authorize a contract contingency of \$618,000 (approximately 10% of the not to exceed contract amount).

Financial Impact to the CMA Budget

The revenues and costs associated with this project have been incorporated in the CMA's currently approved budget and will be funded through federal STP funds. No change to the CMA's approved budget is required.